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Star Stone Quarries, Inc. Lon Thomas 4040 South 300 West Salt Lake City, Utah 84107

Subject: Five-Year Review of Reclamation Surety Estimate, Star Stone Quarries,

Inc., Peoa Blonde Quarry, M/043/012, Summit County, Utah

Dear Mr. Thomas:

Thank you for providing the information requested for the five-year review of the Cotton Thomas Operations. The Division finds based on the information reviewed along with a site visit, that the only changes required for the reclamation cost estimate is a five-year escalation. The surety escalated to the year 2011 is \$114,900. A Surety Estimate Update is attached for your use. Please provide the updated surety within 60 days or no later than March 31, 2006.

The request to add additional acreage to the permit area was received with the maps for this review, received January 30, 2005. The request is denied because it is a separate permitting action and should be requested as an application to amend the plan. A copy of the form MR-REV is available on the Division's website.

The current surety is in the form of surety bond. Please contact your agent to discuss what action must be taken to increase the dollar amount of the existing bond. You may also contact the Division Minerals Surety Coordinator, Beth Ericksen at (801) 538-5318 to answer questions and discuss bonding details and requirements for Division approval. To further assist you, please visit our website at <a href="https://www.nr.utah.gov">www.nr.utah.gov</a> to view bonding forms and obtain additional information about process, terms, conditions, and bond requirements.

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If you are unable to provide the surety within this timeframe, please contact the Division with justification for requesting additional time. Thank you for your help in keeping the surety current. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Doug Jensen at (801) 538-5382.

Sincerely,

Susan M. White

Mining Program Coordinator Minerals Regulatory Program

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Attachment: Surety estimate update cc: Mike Ford, BLM, State FO

Doug Jensen, DOGM Beth Ericksen, DOGM

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## SURETY ESTIMATE UPDATE

Star Stone Quarries, Inc.

Peoa Blonde FILE # M/043/012
Prepared by Utah Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

Summit County

Last Update

5/3/2000

12-Jan-06

DESCRIPTION:

-Previous reclamation surety estimate was \$43,109 in year 2000 dollars

-Reclamation Estimate base amount calculated in 2000-\$

-This update adjusts the surety amount for escalation only.

Surety was calculated on the basis of 22.2 acres, one acre was allowed for an internal road to remain as access to home located below site at a maximum width of 12'.

Topsoil placement was calculated at 6" to be placed over the entire site.

because no variance was allowed for any storage areas within the site.

All buildings to be removed.

A \$5000.00 bond is being held by Summit County for the removal of the trailers at the site, therefore removal of the trailers are not a part of this bond estimate.

2.5 acres allowed for highwalls

-Escalation factors through 2004 are actual Means Historical Cost Indices

-Total disturbed area =

25.7 ACRES

CALCULATIONS		ESCAL	BOND	
F = P(1 + i)**n	YR	FACTOR	AMOUNT	
F = Future Sum	1996	0.0242	\$0.00	
P = Present Sum	1997	0.0236	\$0.00	
i = Escalation Factor	1998	0.0502	\$0.00	
n = number of periods	1999	0.0191	\$0.00	
	2000	0.0244	\$43,109	
Three Yr Average =1.20%	2001	0.0421	\$44,924	
Used to Project 5 Yrs	2002	0.0171	\$45,692	
From the Year 2005	2003	0.0840	\$49,530	
	2004	0.0200	\$50,521	
	2005	0.0120	\$51,127	
	2006	0.0120	\$51,741	
	2007	0.0120	\$52,361	
	2008	0.0120	\$52,990	
	2009	0.0120	\$53,626	
	2010	0.0120	\$54,269	
	2011	0.0120	\$54,920	
Updated Surety Amount Rounded (2011-\$)			\$54,900	

<sup>\*\*</sup> Average cost per acre =

2137 (\$/ACRE)